

Newsletter

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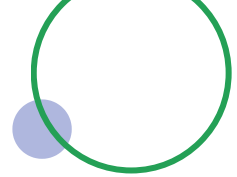
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Gebşa Liliana

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INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT OF RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS
"ALEM CUP - SPRING FLOWERS 2024"





Lucy and Arthur enjoying a dip in the pool together.

Head of Primary's Message

Dear parents,

A Spectacular International Day Celebration

Last week, our International Day exceeded all expectations, showcasing the incredible vibrancy and unity of our community. The dedication seen in the country stalls, performance leaders (great to see you living and breathing the routines down in front of the stage), PADIA, external vendors, and our staff was truly extraordinary and the spirit of collaboration and pride in our diverse cultures shone brightly. A huge thank you to our choir and dance squad who once again opened the show and set the tone for our amazing Primary performances and later the Senior School students. Also a special shoutout to two of our primary school winners from the evening, Mila Braeken, for her rugby prowess which involved throwing rugby balls at a picture of me (thank you to the Welsh stand of Ms. Hannah and Mr. James for this), and Sophia Vakil, for her near-perfect jelly bean guess 1900 guessed and 1919 the total. These fun moments added a delightful touch to the day's celebrations.



Max collecting on Mila's behalf

Wellbeing Workshop Success

We were pleased to host Reverse Psychology once again for a workshop on 'Supporting the Anxious Brain.' The positive feedback has been great to receive, and we are already planning more sessions for Term 3. We hope these workshops continue to be a valuable resource for our community, providing tools and knowledge to support our students' wellbeing.

Community Iftar Invitation

Our Community Iftar is scheduled for next Wednesday. This event is a wonderful opportunity to connect with the Senior Team, other parents, and students, while partaking in one of Ramadan's cherished traditions. Please sign up and join us for an evening of community spirit. Please pay by Monday 8am as we will be sending a form to all those who have paid in order to cater for dietary requirements.

CCA Sign-Ups

A reminder that CCA sign-ups will open tomorrow at 10 AM. I understand the excitement and sometimes anxiety that comes with securing spots in preferred activities. We have cultivated the list based on the parent feedback from the November CCA feedback. Being mindful of the warmer weather to come we have maximised sports where possible and expanded other indoor options. I encourage you to discuss various options with your children and review last week's guidance to ensure clarity on the sign-up process.

Year 6 Spreads the Joy of Reading

This week, Year 6 students embarked on a mission to spread the love of reading across the school, with activities including read aloud, poetry reading and puppet shows with various year groups and also a special visit to our KG1 campus. Their enthusiasm and commitment to this initiative not only brought stories to life for our younger students but also showcased the incredible role models we have in Year 6. A big thank you to our English leads Ms. Aida and Ms Niamh, our Librarian Ms. Desi and our Year 6 students and staff for their dedication and for inspiring a love of reading in others.

Ramadan Kareem,
Tom Collar

EXTRA EXTRA! EXTRA!



KG1

YEAR 3

THE ARTS

KG2

YEAR 4

STUDENT

COUNCIL

YEAR 1

YEAR 5

YEAR 2

YEAR 6



NOTICES

- Click for the [lanyards order form](#) - Kindly contact helpdesk@diadubai.com for any assistance.

FOOD PROVIDER:

All continues to go really well with our new food provider. This link will stay here for a few weeks to serve as a reminder.

- iOS (Apple) App Link: <https://apps.apple.com/ae/app/kalo-hospitality/id6461117251>
- Android App Link: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=munch.kalo.delivery>



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MARCH



2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
03	04 PS DC Book Fair 	05 PS DC Book Fair Innovents Science Fair Y2 Author visit Ramadan Assembly Y2-6 SS Water for Life - KG2-Y6	06 PS DC Book Fair KG1 Sports Day Innovents Arabic Wirting competition	07 PS DC Book Fair World Book day - dress up 	08 PS DC Book Fair PADIA International Day dress up Toddler Report Unit 3 CCA Term 2 ends 	09
10	11 Ramadan timings begin (pending moon sighting) NO CCAs during Ramadan	12 Parent Workshop on wellbeing - Supporting the Anxious Brain (See below)	13	14	15 PS Literacy Day 	16 CCA Term 3 sign up begins 10 am.
17	<i>Ramadhan Mubarak</i>	19	20 PAID CCA Expo 11 am Community Iftar at 6:30pm AED 75 per person Up to 6 people can attend per family through the link <small>(Kindly login using your child's DIA ID and date of birth)</small> CCA Term 3 sign up closes 10 pm 	21 Inclusion parent Information session on the importance of early intervention and identification (See below) 	22	23
24 Spring Break begins	25	26	27	29	29	30

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APRIL



2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31 Spring break	01 Spring break	02 Spring break	03 Spring break	04 Spring break	04 Spring break	06
07	08 Spring break	09 Eid Al Fitr	10 Eid Al Fitr	11 Eid Al Fitr	12 Eid Al Fitr	13
14	15 Staff & Student return CCA Term 3 begins World Ar Day	16	17 PAID CCA begins	18	19 Y5 Exhibition (refer comms from Home room) Autism Awareness Day - wear or accessorize in blue	20
21	22 Earth Day	23	24	25 Coin Mural	26 Toddle Report Unit 4	27 NEW
28	29	30	01	02	03	04



**PARENT INFORMATION SESSION
THURSDAY, 21ST MARCH 2024**

INCLUSION TALKS

**The importance of early
identification and intervention.**

Join our Inclusion team as they guide you through various learning challenges, the importance of early assessment for your child, and the impact of targeted intervention.



Time: 12pm

Venue: Canteen Extension

SIGN UP HERE

**CLICK
HERE**

TAKING ACTION

Has your child been taking action out of school?
Then we want to know all about it so we can
celebrate it on our displays in school...
Please complete the form below:

<https://forms.office.com/r/KW8tTenAY3>



Agastya (2F) visited the Jebel Ali Marine Sanctuary to help plant mangroves with EMEG. As you can see, he did a very meticulous job.



Miraya (2G) donated a box of toys and blankets through The Help Initiative to go to those in need.



Aina (2A) spent her camping trip cleaning the environment with her mum and grandfather.



Nethan (KG2G) cleaned up trash and debris along the shoreline to help preserve a clean environment.

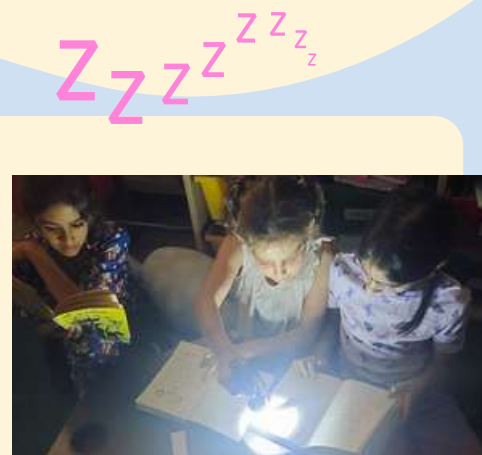


READING MONTH

Highlights of Week 2

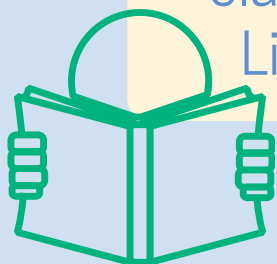
BEDTIME READING

Bedtime vibes as we dressed in our pyjamas and brought torches to school.



LITERACY DAY

Our amazing and very talented Year 6 students visited classrooms for Literacy fun.



NEXT WEEK:

Parent readers Friday 22nd March! Please let your class teacher know if you would like to take part.

Final week of the Paper Chain Reading Challenge- Get Reading!

**READ
MORE**





MARCH 2024

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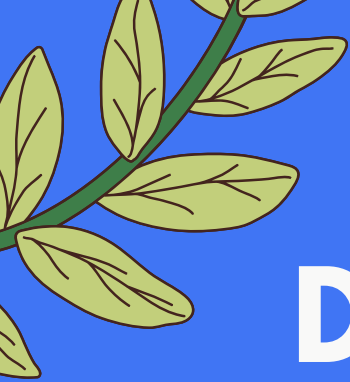
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DIA CELEBRATES AUTISM ACCEPTANCE



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Friday 19th April 2024

WEAR BLUE





PARENT CIRCULAR (Age 6 & above)

Dear Parents,

We are pleased to announce that the KenKen International Championship has opened its doors to our students with some exciting surprises for KIC 2024.

KenKen is the world's fastest-growing, most-played math and logic puzzle. Featured in over 150 newspapers worldwide, including The Times UK and NY Times. It is recognised by NCTM USA, the world's largest educational mathematics organisation, as a powerful tool to build reasoning skills, problem-solving aptitude, perseverance and stamina. Every year, participants from across the globe compete in the KenKen International Championship to win the title of KenKen World Champion. In UAE, more than 30,000 students from 200+ schools have participated in the championship since 2015, making it a vibrant and engaging event for math enthusiasts.

Exciting Surprises in KIC2024!

Free Registration* | Open for Adults & Students | Prizes worth AED 50,000

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- Two new competing categories - **Foundation Category** for Age 6 & **Adults Category** for Adults.
- **Free registration** for Round 1 for a limited time*.
(*Exclusively for a few selected schools, and our school is one of them.)
- **SAVE AED 100** on the Practice Material Subscription for enhanced preparation with Ebooks & Mock practice tests.
- **Prizes worth AED50,000** to be awarded. Everyone gets a prize! Participants will be recognised with trophies, certificates, medals, and exciting rewards as per their achievements.
- **Special Awards for Schools & Teachers** with the highest number of National & International winners and schools with the most active participation.

Benefits of KenKen include but are not limited to, improved critical thinking skills, better problem-solving abilities, enhanced cognitive abilities, increased stamina, higher self-confidence and perseverance. It also helps adults and seniors keep their brains sharp and alert. It is a puzzle everyone can enjoy at any time. So, we invite our students and their parents to register for the KIC2024, Round 1 by following the link below. This is the perfect opportunity to kick-start your KenKen's journey.

Register Here: <https://kenkenuae.com/registration>

Registration Deadline: 23 March, 2024

The **KenKen brain-development program** aims to harness these benefits while fostering healthy competition and a love for mathematics. It also prepares kids for healthy competition in the **KenKen International Championship** (KIC 2024). This championship will be an exciting platform for your child to showcase their talent and interact with like-minded peers. The championship will consist of three challenging rounds, stimulating activities, and recognition for outstanding achievements with exciting rewards.

The Round 1 exam will take place online tentatively after 30 days of registration. Unleash your potential by enrolling in the KIC2024, an engaging and wholesome competition to enhance your core skills. Qualifying is easy; all you need to know is the rules of KenKen and solve a few puzzles on the KenKen portal. Embrace the surge of confidence as you set the stage for a bright future. Boost your competitive spirit and get a chance to win exciting prizes, trophies, medals, and certificates worth AED 50,000. **Ready for KenKen? [Register today.](#)**

Eligibility & Fee Details (5% VAT is exclusive):

Who can participate?	Age 6*/Grade 2 – Grade 12/Year 13 & Adults *Must be 6 years on or before 31 Aug 2024	Register Online: https://kenkenuae.com/registration
ROUND 1 Round 1 Free for a limited time. Last date – 23 March 2024 (Mandatory)	AED 0.00 (AED 150)	Includes: Round 1 free Registration & free trial of practice subscription ● 20 Practice Puzzles (Two Puzzles Daily for 10 days) ● Two Mock Challenges
Practice Subscription Material ADD ON. <i>Practice Subscription will be available online on the KenKen Student Portal.</i>	AED 200* (300) SAVE AED 100. Pay only AED 200* one-time fee for the whole year of 2024. *Offer valid only if purchased at the time of registration. You can also upgrade it later with a fee of AED 300.	Includes: Online Practice Subscription yearly plan valid till Dec 2024, which includes ● One eWorkbook with 60 puzzles every month till Dec 2024 25 Mock Challenges every month Detailed weekly practice reports Dashboard for tracking progress
ROUND 2 National Level Registration Fee <i>Participants who qualify from Round 1 can choose to register for the National Level with a registration fee.</i>	AED 350 (450)	<i>The National Level registration can be completed after you have qualified from Round 1 anytime between March - Aug 2024.</i>
KenKen One-on-One Classes ADD ON (Optional)	Starting at AED 450 per month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Flexible Schedule ● 1:1 Online Interactive Classes ● Personalised Training ● Strategies & Techniques to Improve Speed & Accuracy.
Exam Dates	*KenKen UAE reserves the right to change the exam mode, date, or venue of the competition in any unforeseen circumstances.	Round 1 – After 30 days of registration (tentative), the Round 1 will be held online. Round 2- National level – 19 or 20 October* 2024. The national level will be a CBT-based test. The exam will be hosted at a neutral centre in Dubai or Abu -Dhabi. Round 3 - International Level – 07 or 08 December* 2024 tentative) Further details will be shared closer to the exam.

If you have any queries or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us at +971 445519406 or info@kenkenuae.com.

Best Wishes,
KenKen UAE



DUBAI
INTERNATIONAL
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Emirates Hills



Coin Mural

We are creating a coin mural out of 1AED coins in the Quad, which will spell out the word 'GIVE'. We want it to be huge, so we will need lots of coins... Start saving!



Coins to class teachers: from Wednesday
17th to Tuesday 23rd.

Coin Mural Creation: Thursday 25th April

All money raised to support the GIVE Initiative.

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